## **How Will We Keep Motorists Informed?**

For up-to-date information on this project, go to the list of statewide lane closures at: www.michigan.gov/drive.



**For More Information** 

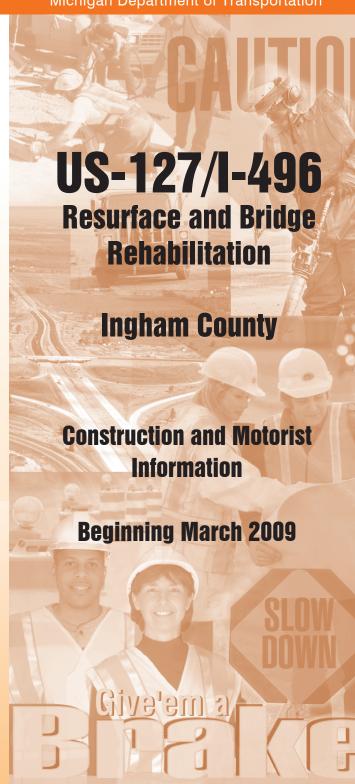
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## What Is Being Done?

Starting in late March 2009, construction begins along US-127/I-496 starting at the I-96/US-127 interchange north to just south of Trowbridge Road. Improvements include resurfacing 4 miles of roadway and bridge repair at Jolly Road, Dunckel Road, Forest Road, and Mt. Hope Road.

At Dunckel Road, the bridge over US-127/ I-496 will be closed for bridge replacement and widening, along with ramp improvements at the interchange. Ramp improvements include concrete patching on all the entrance and exit ramps, and reconstruction of the southbound US-127/Dunckel Road exit ramp. In addition, Dunckel Road, east of the interchange, will be reconstructed.

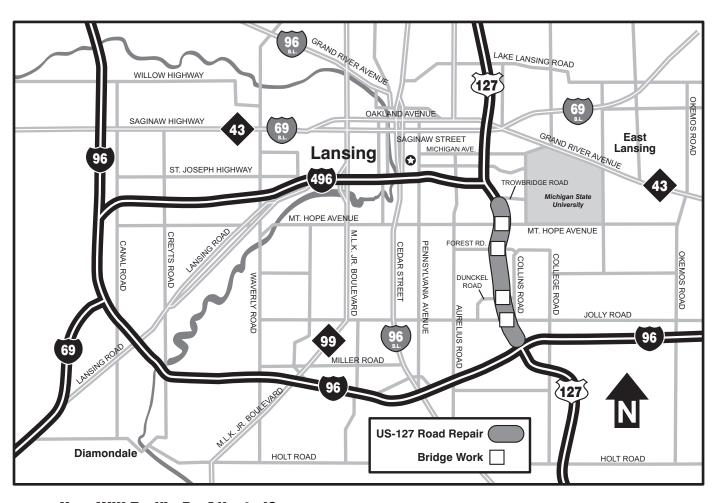
## When Will This Be Done?

Starting in late March, there will be overnight closures between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. along US-127/ I-496 for temporary widening at each bridge.

Once the main bridge work begins, there will be around-the-clock single-lane closures, seven days a week, on US-127/I-496 from April to early July. In addition, for a three week period in April, the ramp from westbound I-96 to northbound US-127 will be closed and detour posted.

Motorists are strongly urged to seek alternate routes when traveling along this corridor or adjacent highways during this time. Major backups are expected, especially at key times of the day such as morning and evening rush hours. Suggested alternate routes include I-96 and I-496.

Once bridge work is complete in early July, resurfacing along US-127/I-496 will begin. All resurfacing work will take place at night only between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m., Monday through Saturday. All lanes will be open during the day on US-127/I-496 during this phase of construction.



## **How Will Traffic Be Affected?**

Local roads affected by bridge work along US-127/I-496 will see the following traffic restrictions:

- Jolly Road: One lane closed in each direction
- Forest Road: One lane maintained with a temporary signal
- Mt. Hope Road: One lane closed in each direction

Dunckel Road over US-127/I-496 will be closed for bridge replacement and widening, along with ramp improvements at the interchange. The Dunckel Road bridge will close May 11, following the end of Michigan State University's spring semester, with a detour posted using Jolly Road,

Collins Road, and Dunckel Road. The bridge is expected to reopen by mid-August 2009, prior to the start of the fall semester at MSU. During the week, traffic shall be maintained to all US-127/Dunckel Road entrance and exit ramps during the Dunckel Road reconstruction, and while the Dunckel Road bridge is closed.

Ramp work at Dunckel Road will take place on weekends only starting in mid-August and will require ramps to be closed with a detour posted. The one exception is the ramp from southbound US-127 to Dunckel Road which will have one lane open, with work completed prior to the other ramp work taking place.